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Sept. 30th, Oct. 1st and 2d, 1879.

Premiums, $6,500!

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Ample accommodations for stock.

Hay and Straw free for Stock on exhibition.

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VERY CHEAP.

Made of the best Cast Steel. We keep them on hand with and without handles.
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Twin Harrows! Twin Harrows!
AND
DOUBLE PLOWS.

We have now on hand a large lot of Twin Harrows and Double Plows, very cheap. Call and see the prices.
CHAPMAN & LAMBERT.
Sept. 6, 1879.

E. T. COMEGYS,

Millington, Kent Co., Md.,
GRAIN COMMISSION MERCHANT
AND DEALER IN
Coal, Lime,
FERTILIZERS,
AGRICULTURAL IMPLEMENTS, &c.
THE HIGHEST CASH PRICE PAID FOR
☞ **GRAIN** ☜
at the different stations on the Kent and Queen Anne's Railroad. jy12-tf.

DR. C. M. GILPIN,
DENTIST,
Having located in Chestertown, offers his professional services to the public.
feb1-tf.

SURVEYING.

THE undersigned offers his services as LAND SURVEYOR to the citizens of Kent and Queen Anne's counties. Special attention given to laying out and dividing land and drawing plots. Orders left with C. H. BAKER, Att'y at Law, Chestertown, Md. will be promptly attended to. May be seen in Chestertown Saturday afternoons.
Or address COMEGYS BROWN,
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House & Sign Painters.
CHESTERTOWN, MD.

House Painting, Graining, Staining Kalsomining, &c., executed with neatness and dispatch. Fine graining a specialty. Estimates furnished promptly at reduced prices. Orders left at Stam's Drug store will receive prompt attention. a12-6m.

WOOD! WOOD!

HICKORY, OAK and PINE.

THE subscriber has purchased 200 cords of the very best seasoned Oak that has been in this market for some time, and is selling it, delivered, at $4.50 per cord; sawed and split at low rates.

This Wood has all been culled over; is full length, clear of knots and small sticks. WILLIAM PERKINS
Rising Sun Saloon, Chestertown.
Aug. 30—tf.

LIME! LIME!

THE undersigned is now selling the best burned

SHELL LIME,

and landing it anywhere on the Chester and Sassafras Rivers, or their tributaries, at low rates for cash or good note on short time. WM. PERKINS.
Chestertown, Aug. 30.

No. 1 AMMONIATED

SUPER-PHOSPHATE OF LIME

AND POTASH,

Manufactured for T. W. ELIASON, JR.,

Containing DRIED BLOOD OR ANIMAL MATTER, DISSOLVED ANIMAL BONE, ACID PHOSPHATE and SALTS OF POTASH AND SODA.

Prepared under the supervision of one of the best Fertilizer manufacturers in the State, and GUARNTEED *not to contain a single pound of adulterating material to the ton, containing no Sand or Earth* to cheapen it, but on the contrary every article used in its manufacture is a *fertilizer* of itself.

I Claim for the above Goods:

1st. That it is Well made, being manufactured by the latest improved machinery and methods; it is thoroughly mixed and all the ingredients are well incorporated with each other.

2nd. That it contains a much larger per centage of Bone Phosphate than any other compound on the market at the same price.

3rd. That a much larger proportion of this Bone Phosphate is available for the use of the growing crop.

4th. That it contains a larger percentage of Ammonia.

5th. That it is a much more valuable goods for the price asked for it than any heretofore sold in this county.

☞ *The above goods was largely used last Fall* in this County by many of our best Farmers, giving excellent results,—in many instances giving a larger yield of wheat than the most expensive goods—in one case as high as FORTY-TWO BUSHELS TO THE ACRE.

$33 Per Ton, and int., on crop term.

Give it a fair trial and I believe you will be satisfied.

Aug. 16-t. T. W. ELIASON, JR.

THE POPPLEIN

SILICATED PHOSPHATE COMPANY

MANUFACTURERS OF THE

Only Complete Mineral Fertilizer!

☞ No Refuse Organic Matter. ☜

Contains every mineral ingredient removed from the soil by cropping. Does not burn the plant. Feeds and does not exhaust the land. Contains one-third more bulk than any other fertilizer. Is fine, light, dry, and drills beautifully, no clogging and no time lost in cleaning the drill. It is entirely free from odor and can be handled without offence.

For WHEAT.

This Fertilizer will grow more Wheat to the acre, under same circumstances than any other. The grain will be larger, plumper, heavier, and will bring more money in the market or at the mill. The roots will be longer, stronger and more numerous, thus affording protection against winter killing. The straw will be stiffer and stronger and will not lodge under ordinary storms or on bottom lands as with other fertilizers.

For GRASS it has No Equal!

The good effects of the application will be evident for years. Plants grown with this fertilizer will resist any ordinary drought, remaining green and vigorous when others are parched. Grass lands, on which this article alone has been used, will be free from weeds. A liberal application of this Fertilizer will increase the productive capacity of the land, as it contains no stimulants, but is entirely solid plant food. The ingredients are available Phosphoric Acid, Silicic Acid, Potash, Soda and Magnesia, which are in the form best adapted to the needs of the plant, and far superior in condition to any other fertilizer.

After the fertilizer is removed, the bags can be used to hold anything without damage. Packed in good strong bags of 200 lbs. each.

It has been used the past season by some of our most intelligent Farmers,

and in a number of cases tests were made with other leading Fertilizers, where the Wheat was cut and threshed separately and the result was decidedly in favor of the Popplein in each case.

S. H. BLACKISTON, Agent,
Aug. 23, 1879—s. CLERK'S OFFICE

LISTER.

I AM now ready to receive orders for the LISTER PHOSPHATE.

I am authorised by Lister Bros., manufacturers, to say that this article will be in fine drilling condition this fall.
jy26-tf. J. W. HINES.

EMORY'S
Bone and Potash

HAVING given the above Fertilizer a fair test with several high grade articles for two seasons, and believing it to be best in results I have concluded to offer it to my fellow farmers for their wheat seeding this fall.

Price, delivered at landings, $32 per ton cash; $35, with interest, on approved notes at 11 months dating from Oct. 1.
jy26-3m. W. S. WALKER.

WHITELOCK
VEGETATOR.

WE have made ample preparation for a large demand this season, and the quality and condition is equal to anything our factories have turned out.

The last winter demonstrated the Vegetator to be the cheapest manure to apply as it will stand any weather.

While offering the article at low prices much less is required to manure land than any other manure.

Address, W. WHITELOCK & CO.,
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KENNARD'S
IMPERIAL!

THIS PHOSPHATE manufactured by us last Spring for corn, at the low price of Eighteen dollars per ton, having shown such good results, encourages us to make a higher grade

FOR WHEAT,

at the VERY LOW PRICE of

$23 CASH, $25 ON TIME.

It will be to your interest, Farmers, to try this; we are satisfied that you will be convinced that it is *economy* to use a low priced but GOOD article.
Resp'y, KENNARD & CO.,
ag9-tf. Chestertown.

PRESERVING KETTLES,
Mason's Qt. & ½ gal. Glass JARS,
Tin Cans and Sealing Wax,
Stone Jars and Rubbers for Glass Jars, for sale at THOMPSON'S, Up town.
Aug. 9, 1879.

Its low Price will permit a liberal application

BAUGH'S
Twenty Dollar Phosphate.

This is no compound of cheap or inert materials, but really excellent Super-phosphate, as will be seen by the analysis below, which is

GUARANTEED

to every purchaser, under a forfeiture of the whole bill sold.

Read the Analysis:

Ammonia.....from 2½ to 3 per cent.
Bone Phosphate, soluble 10 to 12 per ct.
" " insoluble 7 to 8 "

☞ Baugh's Twenty Dollar Phosphate contains no dirt or sand.

PRICE $20.00 per ton of 2,000 lbs. in new bags of 200 lbs. each; free on board cars or boat in Philadelphia, Pa.

Pure dissolved animal bones, ground raw bones, acid phosphate, bone meal, high grade chemicals, and other supplies for the manufacture of

HOME-MADE FERTILIZERS,

at lowest cash prices for goods of guaranteed standard.

BAUGH & SONS,
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Send for prices, &c. ag9-2m.

ORDER YOUR
Phosphate!

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I have in store at this time about 250 Tons of Lister Standard, and as much more awaiting shipment. Send in your orders early.

☞ Any arrangement made with MR. MELVIN, in my absence, will be satisfactory to me. Respectfully,
aug23-tf. J. W. HINES.

Ross' Phosphate.

FARMERS, Look to your Interest!

I AM THE AGENT in Kent County for

W. M. Ross & Co's
PHOSPHATE,

manufactured at Seaford, Del. The proprietors say they believe they are manufacturing the

CHEAPEST & BEST FERTILIZER

in this country, and selling at the smallest profit. They challenge a trial side by side, dollar for dollar with any other Super Phosphate made in the United States and guarantee quality.

☞ Price $30, on 12 months' time.

G. W. JONES,
KENNEDYVILLE, KENT CO., MD.
aug30-6t.

FERTILIZERS.

FALL - - - 1879.

T. W. Eliason, Jr.

Holloway's Excelsior;
" *Ammo. Super Phosphate;*
J. J. Turner & Co's Excelsior;
" " *Ammo. Super Phosphate;*
J. Horner, Jr. & Co's Concentrated Super Phosphate;
Horner's Ammoniated Super Phosphate;
J. Ober & Son's Acid Phosphate;
Wm. Whitelock & Co's Vegetator;
J. Horner, Jr. & Co's Dissolved Bones, The highest grade on the market.
T. W. Eliason, Jr's No. 1 Ammo. Super Phosphate;
T. W. Eliason, Jr's No. 3 Ammo. Super Phosphate;
Peruvian Guano;
Sulphate of Ammonia;
Nitrate of Soda;
Sulphate of Potash;
Plaster at low rates.

☞ Special advertisement in subsequent issue of paper.

In calling the attention of our customers and farmers generally to the above Fertilizers, I take pleasure in being able to say that all of these goods are of first-class reputation, and fully equal if not superior to other goods on the market of their respective kinds.

My own No. 3 Ammo. Super Phosphate is not an experiment, but was put last fall into the hands of a few first-class observing farmers, and gave the most flattering results.

Call and see me before buying your fertilizers. I may save you money.

T. W. ELIASON, JR.
Aug. 9, 1879.

New Drug Store

IN CHESTERTOWN.

M. A. TOULSON,

(*Graduate of Phila. College of Pharmacy,*)

Has fitted up the store room formerly occupied by Mr. John Bordley, and opened a FIRST CLASS DRUG STORE.

His medicines are all fresh, and purchased of the most reliable dealers in the cities, and having knowledge of and considerable experience in the manufacture and use of Drugs and chemicals, claims the ability to compete with any first class drug store on the shore.

☞ **Prescriptions a Specialty.**

The leading and most reliable Patent Medicines will be kept in stock or furnished at short notice.

Also, a line of NOTIONS, such as Stationery, Perfumery, Soaps, and Toilet Goods generally. The attention of the ladies is particularly invited to his stock of French and American hdk'f Extracts.

Also, for gentlemen a very fine line of

CIGARS and TOBACCO

We specially invite those who indulge in "the weed" to call and try our "fragrant Havana," unexcelled in town.

☞ We shall give constant personal attention to the business, and exercise particular care in compounding prescriptions, and hope to merit public favor.
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FINE Sugar-cured HAMS and Broiling Beef.
C. A. Gambrill's Patapsco Extra, Orange Grove Flour by the lb., bag or bbl., at THOMPSON'S, Up Town.

JELLY TUMBLERS at low prices.
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Young Men and Boys *thoroughly instructed* in English and Collegiate studies. *Session begins Sept. 1st.* For particulars, address
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College Station,
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ST. JOHN'S COLLEGE,
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James M. Garnett, LL. D., President. Opening of Session and Examination of Candidates for admission, Monday and Tuesday, Sept. 15th & 16th. A number of free scholarships for tuition vacant. For catalogues containing full particulars address PROF. W. H. HOPKINS,
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FOR SALE,

A Fine Little Farm

OF ONE HUNDRED ACRES, more or less. Just the thing for a Truck Farm, half a mile from Chestertown markets. Reasonable terms. Apply at once.
AL. C. WHALAND,
aug16-tf. Attorney for owner.

At Private Sale,

FARM adjoining Chester bridge, 78 acres; good Dwelling; Peach and Apple Orchard of choice fruit, and one of the best Fishing Shores on the river. Good trucking land. No better situation on the shore for Hotel Summer resort or store. Apply in person or address
T. Q. PRIMROSE,
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The Empire Grain Drill

THE BEST Grain and Fertilizer Drill made, will be exhibited by me at the coming Kent Fair. This Drill is used by Dr. C. H. B. Massey, David Clements, and Wm. Archibald. Examine it before purchasing. JOEL PUSEY,
s6-2t.* Havre deGrace, Md.

EVERYBODY IS REQUESTED

TO CALL AT **SHAW'S,** to Look at the Large Stock of

Coarse and Fine BOOTS,

just received and for sale at prices ranging from $1 to $5. Do not neglect to call as it will cost nothing to look.
JAMES A. SHAW,
sep6. Court Street.

NEW TIN STORE!

WM. A. BISCOE

Has commenced business at the old Barber stand on Princes st., opposite the Post Office, Chestertown, and is prepared to do TIN ROOFING AND SPOUTING, Repair Tin-ware, put up Stoves, and do all work in his line.

A share of patronage is respectfully solicited. Orders left at J. W. Hines' will receive prompt attention.
ag23-6m. WM. A. BISCOE.

The Place to Buy

The Best Clothing

FOR THE LEAST MONEY and BE SURE OF LATEST STYLES and BEST FITS, is at

THE NEW STORE
—OF—
CHAS. ROLPH,

Next door to T. W. Wickes' Drug Store.

CLOTHING	MEN'S SUITS	$3.00
CLOTHING	MEN'S SUITS	$4.50
CLOTHING	MEN'S SUITS	$5.00
CLOTHING	MEN'S SUITS	$6.00
CLOTHING	MEN'S SUITS	$7.00
CEOTHING	MEN'S SUITS	$8.00
CLOTHING	MEN'S SUITS	$9.00
CLOTHING	MEN'S SUITS	$10.00

ALSO,

A FULL LINE OF **SUITS** FOR

BOYS and YOUTHS.

CLOTHING	Boys' Suits	$3.00
CLOTHING	Boys' Suits	$4.00
CLOTHING	Boys' Suits	$4.00
CLOTHING	Boys' Suits	$5.00
CLOTHING	Boys' Suits	$6.00
CLOTHING	Boys' Suits	$6.50
CLOTHING	Boys' Suits	$7.00
CLOTHING	Boys' Suits	$8.00

ALSO,

A Full Assortment of

WOOL, FUR and STRAW
HATS.

☞ My goods are all selected with special reference to the wants of this section and will be sold at prices to compare with the present reduced prices of everything else. *I will not be undersold.*

Don't mistake the place:

CHAS. ROLPH,
Adjoining T. W. Wickes'.
May. 10, 1879.

SPECTACLES and EYE GLASSES, to be had at the *New Drug Store, Bordley's Corner.*

They are recommended for purity of material, brilliancy of finish, and their strength and preserving powers, in which they excell all others. They last many years without change.

☞ Do not forget place:
M. A. TOULSON,
ag9. Drug Store, Bordley's Corner.

TO F. M. D.

Now looking out upon the sea,
My thoughts do wander unto thee,
Thou more than dearest friend to me.

To thee I owe this pastime sweet,
The waves that break so near my feet
With songs thy deeds of love do greet.

Thou in thy mountain home afar
Art like yon shining beacon star,
That brightens up this sandy bar.

Ah! many a heart throbs warm and true
For thee, and, like yon cloud of blue,
Their prayers the golden gates pass through.

One of the many bowing low,
Touching as 'twere the horizon's glow,
My prayers with theirs do upward flow.

I say, Where would I be to-day
If not for her? This white sea spray,
This scene that doth before me lay,

Would be a chaos, sick and lone;
I would not hear one thrilling tone
That from the sea's great heart is blown.

From thee there comes a magic spell
That strings the harp of ocean shell,
Where love mysterious seems to dwell.

Not all thine own; each noble deed
Doth from Divinity proceed;
'Tis God who scatters mercy's seed.

Musings and thoughts and hopes entwine,
Till yon horizon's boundless line
With rainbows on the ocean shine.

I gather them from out the flood,
And send to thee, thou pure and good,
In telegrams of gratitude.

God bless thee now and evermore,
And bear thee to the changeless shore
Where Christ has thy reward secure.

MATILDA CANBY.

Atlantic City, August, 1879.

State Teachers' Association.

Commenting editorially upon the meeting of this Association, which was recently held in Hagerstown, the *Herald and Torch* of that city says:

"A meeting of the State Teachers' Association was held in our city last week. Any visitor at the Court Hall, where their deliberations and conferences were held, could not help being impressed with the fact that the body was made up of earnest hard working men and women who seemed devoted to their profession and determined to give Maryland the best system of public schools possible. The State of Maryland has to-day a good system of schools, and one which she may well be proud. Beyond a certain limit popular education can never be carried. All that the State seeks to do is to give a good ordinary education and fit the great mass of its youth who will soon become citizens for the ordinary avocations of life. To do so conduces to the happiness of the people and adds to the stability and strength of the government. Upon popular education the foundation of a successful Republic is built. A small minority will need a higher education than the common schools can give. The wants of these are already provided for in our colleges and universities. It was discussed whether the State might not introduce technical education. How far this is practical and how far it should in reason extend is a matter that will bear a great deal of consideration. The one thing to be kept constantly in view is the necessity for the State to so instruct the youth that they may become good, industrious and useful citizens. It is a waste of time and energy to teach what in all probability will never be of any practical moment. The world is getting too full of people and the struggle of life too intense for that sort of thing. The deliberations of the association showed that our teachers grasp the work before them. Theirs is a profession second to none. Upon them the fate of the Republic finally rests. Let them be liberal and progressive. Let them work dilligently in the rich fields of knowledge which the Sciences and the Arts are constantly developing, in order that they may select proper material.

"Whatever will strengthen and enrich the human mind for its ordinary daily life, whatever will help it on its struggle for existance and further development, will serve as wholesome and suitable food for the mental growth of the youth in our public schools."

SINGING IS HEALTHY.—Recent experiments by Professor Monassein, of St. Petersburg, tend to prove that the relative and even the absolute circumference of chest is greater among singers than among those who do not sing, and that it increases with the growth and age of the singer. The professor even says that singing may be placed physically as the antithesis of drinking spirituous liquors—the latter hinders while the former promotes the development of the chest.—While milder forms of catarrh are frequent among singers, bronchial catarrh is exceedingly rare. The mortality of singers from phthisis is unfrequent.—Bright's disease, on the contrary, is not unfrequent among them, which is also the case with non-drinkers. Professor Monassein concludes that singing is highly to be commended as a valuable prophylactic for persons who are phthisically inclined. He adds that, as a means for the development, expansion and strengthening of the chest, he regards it to be preferred far above ordinary gymnastics.

WONDERFUL TENACITY OF LIFE.—Thirty-three years ago an Egyptian desert snail was received at the British Museum. The animal was known to be alive, as it had withdrawn into its shell, and the specimen was accordingly gummed, mouth downward on to a tablet, duly labeled and dated, and left to its fate. Instead of starving, this contented gastropod simply went to sleep in a quiet way, and never woke up again for four years. The tablet was then placed in tepid water, and the shell loosened, when the dormant snail suddenly resuscitated himself, began walking about the basin, and finally sat for his portrait. Now, during these four years, the snail had never eaten a mouthful of any food, yet he was quite as well and flourishing at the end of the period as he had been at its beginning.

SPECULATION AS TO THE FIRST MONKEY.—A little fellow rushed into the street recently to look at a monkey that accompanied an organ grinder who was playing in front of an adjoining block. Never having perused the "Origing of Man," he gazed in wonder and admiration a few moments, and then, rushing into the house, he met his grandmother, to whom he addreesed this inquiry: "Grandmother, who made monkeys?" "God, my boy," replied the old lady in her candid way. "Well," said the excitable grandson in rejoinder, "I'll bet God laughed when he got the first monkey done!"

A BRAVE LITTLE LADY.

SHE FOLLOWS HER HUSBAND FROM ATLANTA, GA., TO FORT ASSINIBOINE.

From the Sioux City Journal.

A correspondence from the upper Indian country sends us the following item of interest: A young boy 18 years of age, a member of the Eighteenth Infantry Band, and a son of the leader of the band, became enamored of a young lady early last winter, while the the band was posted at Atlanta, Ga. The young lady was a sweet sixteen, and it was a case of love at first sight. After a brief engagement they were married. Soon after, the regiment was ordered to Fort Assiniboine, Montana. The soldiers got ready to depart, and the young lady also prepared to accompany them, and not until the last moment did the young married couple learn that no provision had been made for taking the lady along. She had to remain behind, in spite of protestations and tears, and to the infinite disgust of the boy husband. It was then arranged that he should send for her just as soon as he got fairly settled in his new quarters.

But the little lady had her intentions. She didn't propose to rest on downy couches in Georgia while her husband was blowing a horn away out in the wilds of Montana. So as the regiment departed she procured a pass to Cincinnati. There she succeeded in getting one to Chicago. At Chicago she presented hersel to Gen. R. R. Ingalls, Quartermaster General, and stated her case to him, and at once aroused his sympathies. He gave her a letter to railroad officials, by which she got a pass to St. Paul. There she interviewed the officials of the Northern Pacific, and captured a pass to Bismarck. At Bismarck she paid her respects to the managers of the Coulson Line, and secured pasaage to Coal Banks, and from thence by wagon to Fort Assiniboine, and, without warning or notification, dropped down upon her boy husband at the fort. She is described as being a very pretty lady of medium size, with dark hair and eyes, a good talker, but withal a modest, well-behaved little lady, who made the trip, 4,000 miles, without danger, although not without fear.

Women in the Breakers.

A woman's idea of a bath in the sea is to step down to the water and try the surf with the tips of her toes to see if it really is water. Then should a bold wave rush up and wet her ankles she must utter a shriek and run back where it is dry. By and by she gets braver and goes in knee deep and catches hold of the rope. Then she will sit down in the water, but must jump up again and say it's "awful cold." When she isn't looking a big wave will break over her, and she gets thoroughly wet, much against her will, for she intended to keep her hair dry. Then she moves along the rope a little and strikes her dainty foot against a clam-shell. She screams, runs out of the water, and declares that she has been bitten by a shark. She goes in again after her fright is over, and catches hold of the rope with a dozen other women and jumps up and down in the water, uttering the strangest sounds, most like the crowing of an infant. When a wave breaks over her she puts it down as of the masculine gender by saying, "Wasn't that a big fellow," while a lusty man, getting ready to dive under it, exclaims, "Here she comes." Fat women seem to enjoy bathing the most. The dear, big creatures in their jackets and pantaloons and straw hats come down into the water like rosy, fat monks out for a lark. They always stand and contemplate before entering the water. How portly they seem in their outfit. Every one an alderman in size. I never could understand why they stand and gaze at the ocean before entrusting their corpulency to it, and I wondered if, like good mothers that they are, they are afraid of displacing so much water as to make it rough at sea for some poor sailor boy, as they move about. Very pretty women will look pretty in the water, but the ordinary good looks of a woman deteriorate into hideousness when her cheeks get pale and her nose blue.

PERQUISITES OF WASHINGTON PAGES.—One of the pages of the United States Senate, in a letter to the *St. Paul Pioneer Press*, says: "We used to get $90 a month, but now it is only $75. The boy that gets the President's room is rewarded with $1,400 a year. The perquisites for the pages are considerable. A good one has no trouble in making $100 a month. A complete book of the autographs of Congressmen, and the heads of departments brings $50. A page made $300 out of what was known as the 'dead-lock picture'—a humorous sketch. While the Electoral commission was in session the boys had a good opportunity to make something. They speculated on the extra tickets, the Congressmen shelled out. I sold one to Lizzie Snow for $30; Washington people know who she is. I knew a boy who made $80 off the bier of Charles Sumner. He sold the flowers for $20; Wormly paid him $10 for one boquet. When the casket was removed he watched his opportunity and cut the fringe from the bier. He sold it to the colored people for $60, dealing it out in pieces."

CURIOSITIES OF LIFE.—Half of all who live die before they are seventeen years old. Only one person in ten thousand lives to be one hundred years old, and but one in a hundred reaches sixty. The married live longer than the single. Out of every thousand persons born, only ninety-five weddings take place. Lay your finger on your pulse, and know that every stroke some immortal soul passes to its Maker—some fellow being crosses the river of death; and if we think of it, we may well wonder that it should be so long before our turn comes.

"YOUNG MAN," said a stern old professor to a student who had been charged with kissing one of his daughters, "young man, don't get into that habit. You'll find that kissing is like eating soup with a fork." "How so, sir!" asked the student. "Because," answered the stern old professor, "you can't get enough of it."

A FRENCH paper advises its readers who may happen to be caught out in a storm to take shelter under a beech tree, as this tree has never been known to be struck by lightning.

Didn't Want to Disturb His Wife.

A jolly, fun loving saloonist tells the following good story on himself: A few nights ago he went home very early—in the morning, mind you—with his "keg pretty full," to employ his own phrase, and concluded not to alarm his wife, who was no doubt at that moment enjoying delightful repose; that sweet balm which Shakespeare tells us "knits up the raveled sleeve of care." Cautiously and noiselessly he entered the gate! Quietly he sat down on the graveled walk to remove his shoes and stockings! Stealthily he stepped upon the porch! With cat like agility he mounted a box standing near by and began crawling through the open transom over the door! Just as he had succeeded in pressing his body through the aperture, and managed to wiggle one leg after it, he lost his balance and fell to the floor with a thud as heavy as if a big bag of sand had been heaved thro' the hole. Naturally enough it aroused his wife in an instant, and springing to her feet she caught sight of her liege lord lying before her all curled up in a heap.

"Why, husband!" she exclaimed in affright, "what in the world is the matter with you?"

"Nossin, m'dear, jus' 'ought I'd come home t'yer."

"Well, but did'nt you fall?"

"Yes'm; reck'n so. Didn't sit down (hic) anyway."

"Are you hurt, dear?"

"Guess not; I'm all here reckon."

"How came you to fall, dear?"

"Well, ye-see, didn't want'o 'sturb ye rattlin' e' door; so jus'sought I'd crawl through trans'um, don't-ye-see, an' I los' my balance. Dazwhazzemazzer."

"Why, my dear husband, you must have been tired and sleepy, for the door has been standing wide open all night. It was so warm I was compelled to open it to keep from suffocating."

And sure enough the door under the transom through which he had wedged himself was standing wide open! Looking around with a silly grin, he said:

"Za's a fact! Deuced good joke (hic) ain't it? He! he! Z'wonder I didn't feel zat hole, ain't it?"

A Philosophic Fiend.

"I should like to sell you a gimlet," said a care-worn looking man as he walked into an office the other day.

"We have no use for one," replied the cashier.

"But you should always look into the misty future," went on the fiend demurely; "next winter you will want to make holes in your boot heels so you can get your skates on."

"I use club skates—no straps are required."

"You may want to screw some boards together some time. The old-fashioned method of driving the screws in with a hammer is pernicious, as it deteriorates the tenacity of the fangs of the screw, as it were."

"Nothing to-day, sir."

"This gimlet also acts as a cork-screw."

"I don't want it."

"It also may be used as a tack hammer, a cigar holder and a tooth-brush."

"I don't want it."

"It has an eraser, a pen, an inkstand, a table for computing compound interest and a lunch box attachment.

"I can't help it; I don't want it."

"I know you don't; you are one of those mean men that won't buy a gimlet unless it has a restaurant and a trip thro' Europe and an Italian opera company attached. You're the kind of a man that would live near an electric light to save a gas bill."

And the pedler walked out with his mental plumage on the perpendicular.

AN Albany man fell in love at first sight of a young lady who sat next to him in church, and handed her a Bible with this verse marked: "And now I beseech, thee, lady, not as though I wrote a new commandment unto thee, but that which we had from the beginning, that we love one another" (2d John, 5). She returned Ruth ii, 10: "Why have I found grace in thine eyes, that thou shouldst take knowledge of me, seeing I am a stranger?" and he answered with 34th John, 13-14: "I had many things to write, but I will not with ink and pen write unto thee. But I trust that I shall shortly see thee, and we shall speak face to face."—Next month. No cards.

A COLORED MAN applying for a marriage license in Cincinnati was asked if he and the lady were related.

"Yes, sah," he replied.

When asked to explain how it was, he answered:

"I thought you deluded to de tender relashuns of luv what prevails between us at de present moment."

"HERE, you young rascal, walk up and give an account of yourself. Where have you been?"

"After the girls, father."

"Did you ever know me to do so when I was a boy?"

"No, sir, but mother did."

That boy's father wiped his glasses.

WHEN Benjamin Franklin was an editor he was in the habit of writing to the young ladies who sent in poetry, saying in honeyed language that, owing to the crowded state of his columns, etc., but he would endeavor to circulate their production in manuscript; and then he tied the poems to the tail of his kite for "bobs."

A WAITER was told by a countryman to "bring something of what he had." The waiter brought him a dinner upon small dishes, as is the usual form, and set them around his plate. The countryman surveyed them carefully a moment, and then broke out: "Well I like your samples; now bring on your dinner!"

"JOHN, did you go round and ask how old Mrs. Jones is this morning, as I told you to do last night?" "Yes, sir." "Well, what's the result?" "She said that seeing as how you'd had the impudence to send to ask how old she was she'd no objection to telling you that she's 24.

THE proprietor of a building-site in Wisconsin advertises his land for sale in this wise: "The town of Peggis and surrounding country is the most beautiful Nature ever made. The scenery is celestial. Also two wagons and a yoke of steers."